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FOR OES/BLOOM; ALSO PASS GEORGE JAMES, NATIONAL SCIENCE  
FOUNDATION

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SUBJECT: EXCHANGE OF ENERGY R & D PROJECTS

INFORMATION: RESULTS OF SSIE VISIT TO FRANCE

REF: A) PARIS 20855 B) PARIS 22287

1. SUMMARY. A SUCCESSFUL FIRST STEP TOWARD SHARING OF  
INFORMATION ON ON-GOING ENERGY-RELATED R & D PROJECTS  
BETWEEN FRENCH AGENCIES AND USG CONTRACTOR SMITHSONIAN  
SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION EXCHANGE (SSIE) IS THE RESULT OF  
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A RECENT VISIT HERE BY SSIE REPS. MOST OF THE FRENCH

AGENCIES VISITED ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING, SUBJECT TO AFFIRMATIVE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CENTRAL RESEARCH COORDINATING AGENCY, DGRST. THIS INITIAL GOOD RESPONSE CALLS FOR WELL-SUPPORTED FOLLOW-THROUGH IF PROJECT OBJECTIVES ARE TO BE FULFILLED AND IF SIMILAR FUTURE U.S. PROPOSALS ARE TO BE RECEIVED SERIOUSLY. THE DGRST DECISION ON COOPERATION IS EXPECTED AND WILL BE REPORTED SOONEST. END SUMMARY.

1. MOST OF THE FRENCH AGENCIES LISTED IN PARA 5 BELOW AND VISITED ON 8-19 OCTOBER BY SMITHSONIAN SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION EXCHANGE (SSIE) REPS HERSEY AND LAKAMP, IN COMPANY OF DGRST OFFICIAL ADMIRAL JANNOT, SCIATT, AND NSF JAMES, EXPRESSED INTEREST IN AND WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN EXCHANGE OF UNCLASSIFIED AND NON-PROPRIETARY INFORMATION ABOUT ONGOING ENERGY-RELATED R & D PROJECTS (SEE REFS). THE NEXT STEP, EXPECTED WITHIN A FEW WEEKS, IS FOR DGRST TO COLLECT THE VIEWS OF THE VISITED AGENCIES AND DECIDE IF AND HOW EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION WILL OCCUR.

2. AT FIRST MEETING, (SEE PROGRAM IN PARA 5 BELOW), INTENDED TO EXPLAIN USG-SSIE PROPOSAL FOR ENERGY INFO EXCHANGE TO HIGH LEVEL REPS OF POTENTIALLY INTERESTED AGENCIES. ALL THE QUESTION PREVIOUSLY RAISED IN PRELIMINARY SCIATT DISCUSSION WITH DGRST AND DELEGATION FOR ENERGY, REFTEL A, WERE BROUGHT UP AGAIN, WITH DGRST'S BINDELL TAKING THE LEAD. HOWEVER, AS A RESULT OF SSIE'S RESPONSES AND AFTER AN EXTENDED PRIVATE CONVERSATION WITH SCICON, BINDELL EXPRESSED HIS WILLINGNESS TO RECOMMEND THAT THE PROPOSED COOPERATION BE APPROVED, PENDING THE REACTION OF EACH AGENCY. IN THE SUBSEQUENT, MORE DETAILED MEETINGS WITH EACH AGENCY SEPARATELY, ALL QUESTIONS AND POTENTIAL OBJECTIONS WERE APPARENTLY DEALT WITH SATISFACTORILY. SPECIFIC PRELIMINARY REACTIONS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) CEA WISHES TO STUDY THE POLICY IMPLICATIONS OF THE SSIE PROPOSAL.

(B) A FLEDGLING AGENCY, BNIST HOPES TO EVEN-  
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TUALLY BECOME A GOVERNMENT-WIDE CENTER OF INFORMATION ON SUBJECTS SUCH AS ENERGY R & D PROJECTS, BUT A SMALL BUDGET AND STAFF PROHIBITS THIS FOR AT LEAST THIS YEAR.

(C) DITEIM SERVES AS A GOVERNMENT COORDINATOR FOR APPLIED RESEARCH CONDUCTED ON THE BEHALF OF A WIDE RANGE OF SMALL INDUSTRIES. IT IS OPEN TO SHARING OF PROJECT INFORMATION, BUT LACKS THE PERSONNEL AND FUNDS

TO COLLECT AND DOCUMENT THE REQUIRED DATA.

(D) DGESUP IS THE GOVERNMENTAL LINK BETWEEN THE  
MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION AND THE HIGHLY DECENTRAL-  
IZED FRENCH UNIVERSITIES. ITS REPRESENTATIVE

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FELT THAT ONLY BY VISITING THE MAJOR UNIVERSITY CEN-  
TERS AND CARRYING THE GREATER PART OF THE BURDEN  
OF DATA COLLECTION AND DOCUMENTATION COULD INFORMA-  
TION BE ACQUIRED ABOUT ONGOING UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED  
ENERGY-RELATED PROJECTS.

(E) GDF REPRESENTATIVE NOTED THAT GAZ DE FRANCE

ALREADY HAS EXTENSIVE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE "SUFFICIENT TO ITS NEEDS."

(F) BRGM, EDF, CSTB, IFP, IRT, AND CNES ALL HAVE THEIR R & D PROJECT INFORMATION IN CENTRALIZED FORM AND ARE VERY INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN INFORMATION EXCHANGE; THEY ARE ONLY AWAITING OFFICIAL UNCLASSIFIED

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GOF,(I.E., DGRST), APPROVAL. FURTHER, IFP REPRESENTATIVES STATED THAT IF OFFICIAL BLESSING CANNOT BE GIVEN, THEY WOULD STILL BE INTERESTED IN INFORMAL BILATERAL COOPERATION.

3. ON 21 AUGUST, MFA REPRESENTATIVE STUYCK-TAILLANDIER HAD TOLD SCIATT THAT HE FORESAW NO FOREIGN POLICY COMPLICATIONS IN THE SSIE DATA EXCHANGE PROPOSAL AND HE DEFERRED TO THE DGRST. JUDGING FROM DGRST'S BINDELL'S ATTITUDE AND THE SYMPATHETIC PRESENTATION OF THE SSIE CASE BY DGRST REPRESENTATIVE JANNOT, WE BELIEVE THAT AFTER THE CURRENT CONSULTATIONS WITH THE ORGANIZATIONS VISITED, DGRST WILL GIVE A GENERAL BLESSING AND LEAVE THE MEANS AND EXTENT OF COOPERATION UP TO EACH AGENCY.

4. COMMENT: BECAUSE FRENCH AGENCIES, PARTICULARLY DGRST, SEE SSIE'S PROPOSAL AS THE MAJOR, SOLE USG EFFORT TOWARD SHARING NON-PROPRIETARY AND UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION ON ON-GOING (UNDERLINED) R & D ENERGY-RELATED PROJECTS, WE FEEL IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT SSIE FOLLOW THROUGH WITH SELFSUFFICIENT RESOURCES AND MANPOWER TO BE ABLE TO FULLY EXPLOIT THE MANY LEADS AND INVITATIONS EXTENDED DURING THESE INITIAL SERIES OF MEETINGS.

THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL PREVIOUS INDICATIONS THAT GOF IS INTERESTED IN COOPERATIVE ENERGY R & D PROJECTS AND DGRST, VIEWING SCICON/SCIATT AND SSIE AS MEANS TOWARD THIS OBJECTIVE, HAS EXTENDED ITSELF SOMEWHAT BEFORE THE FRENCH R & D AGENCIES IN ASSURING THAT SSIE RECEIVED A GOOD HEARING.

AGENCIES VISITED BY SSIE WERE:

8 OCTOBER:

11:30 - DGRST, ADMIRAL-RETIRED JANNOT (DELEGATION GENERAL FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH), 35, RUE SAINT-DOMINIQUE, 75007 PARIS (TELEPHONE 551-74-30)

14:30 - DITEIM (DIRECTORATE FOR APPLIED RESEARCH IN INDUSTRY), M. DELORME, CHEF DU SERVICE DE LA TECHNOLOGIE) MINISTERE DE L'INDUSTRIE ET DE LA RECHERCHE, 99, RUE DE GRENELLE, 75007 PARIS (TELEPHONE 555-9300)

16:00 - CNRS (NATIONAL CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH)  
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SEARCH), M. BARBOUTEAU, CHARGE DE MISSION AUPRES DE  
M. CANTACUZENE, 15, QUAI ANATOLE FRANCE, PARIS 7  
(TELEPHONE 555-9225)

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AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION), M. MICHEL, SECRETAIRE

GENERAL, 85, BOULEVARD DU MONT-PARNASSE, PARIS 6, (TELEPHONE 555-9300)

9 OCTOBER

9:00 - DGE SUP (GENERAL DIRECTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH), M. BEAUFILS, CONSEILLER SCIENTIFIQUE DE MINISTERE DE L'EDUCATION NATIONALE; M. DISCHAMPS, 110, RUE DE GRENNELLE. PARIS 7 (TELEPHONE 551-8810)

10:30 - BRGM (BUREAU OF GEOLOGICAL AND MINERAL RESEARCH), M. BEAUMONT, DIRECTEUR GENERAL, 74, RUE DE LA FEDERATION, PARIS 15 (TELEPHONE 525-6101)  
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11:30 - CEA (ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION), M. PIERRE, CHEF DU DEPARTMENT DES PROGRAMMES, 29/31, RUE DE LA FEDERATION, PARIS 15 (TELEPHONE 273-6000)

15:00 - EDF (ELECTRICITY OF FRANCE), M. MAGNIEN, DIRECTEUR DES ETUDES ET RECHERCHES, 2, RUE LOUIS MURAT, PARIS 8 (TELEPHONE 256-9400)

16:00 - GDF (GAS OF FRANCE) M. BRESSON, DIRECTION DES ETUDES ET TECHNIQUES NOUVELLES, 23, RUE PHILIBERT DELORME, PARIS 7 (TELEPHONE 766-5262)

17:30 - CERCHAR (CENTER FOR COAL RESEARCH), M. DE VERGERON, 33, RUE LA BAUME, PARIS 8 (TELEPHONE 225-9500)

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9:00 - CSTZ (CENTER FOR BUILDINGS RESEARCH), M. BERTHOLOT, 4, AVENUE DU RECTEUR POINCARÉ, PARIS 16, (TELEPHONE 525-6101)

11:00 - IFP (INSTITUT FRANÇAIS DU PÉTROLE), M. LEVY, 1 ET 4, AVENUE DE BOIS-PRÉAU, 92500 RUEIL-MALMAISON (TELEPHONE 967-1110)

15:00 - IRT (TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE), M. HERLA, 2, AVENUE DU GÉNÉRAL MALLERET-JOINVILLE, 94 ARCUEIL (TELEPHONE 655-3400)

17:30 - CNES (NATIONAL CENTER FOR SPACE STUDIES), M. DE LA MARRE, 125, RUE DE L'UNIVERSITÉ, PARIS 7, (TELEPHONE 705-9789)  
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